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University Symphony Orchestra

Robert Gutter, conductor

University Choruses

prepared by

William P. Carroll, Welborn E. Young, Randy Price, and Richard Waters

Dwight Coleman, baritone

North Carolina Music Educators Association In-Service Conference General Session

Sunday, November 10, 2002 8:00 pm Stevens Center, North Carolina School of the Arts

Program

Suite from "Der Rosenkavalier," Op. 59

Richard Strauss (1864-1948)

Belshazzar's Feast (1931)

William Walton (1902-1983)

Dwight Coleman, baritone

Thus spake Isaiah:

Thy sons that thou shalt beget
They shall be taken away, and be eunuchs
In the palace of the King of Babylon.
Howl ye therefore:
For the day of the Lord is at hand!

By the waters of Babylon, There we sat down: yea, we wept And hanged our harps upon the willows.

For they that wasted us
Required of us mirth;
They that carried us away captive
Required of us a song.
Sing us one of the songs of Zion.

How shall we sing the Lord's song In a strange land?

If I forget thee, O Jerusalem,
Let my right hand forget her cunning.
If I do not remember thee,
Let my tongue cleave to the roof
of my mouth; yea, if I prefer not
Jerusalem above my chief joy.

By the waters of Babylon,
There we sat down: yea, we wept.
O daughter of Babylon, who art to be
destroyed, happy shall he be that
taketh thy children
And dasheth them against a stone,
For with violence shall that great city
Babylon be thrown down
And shall be found no more at all.

Babylon was a great city,
Her merchandise was of gold and silver,
Of precious stones, of pearls, of fine linen,
of purple, silk and scarlet,
All manner vessels of ivory,
All manner vessels of most precious wood,
Of brass, iron and marble,
Cinnamon, odours and ointments,
Of frankincense, wine and oil,
Fine flour, wheat and beasts,
Sheep, horses, chariots, slaves,
And the souls of men.

In Babylon, Belshazzar the King made a great feast,
Made a feast to a thousand of his lords,
And drank wine before the thousand.
Belshazzar, while he tasted the wine,
Commanded us to bring the gold and silver vessels: yea, the golden vessels, which his father, Nebuchadnezzar, had taken out of the temple that was in Jerusalem.

He commanded us to bring the golden vessels of the temple of the house of God, that the King, his princes, his wives and his concubines might drink therein.

Then the King commanded us:
Bring ye the cornet, flute, sackbut,
psaltery, and all kinds of music.
They drank wine again,
And then spake the King:

Praise ye the God of Gold, Praise ye the God of Silver, Praise ye the God of Iron, Praise ye the God of Wood, Praise ye the God of Stone, Praise ye the God of Brass, Praise ye the Gods!

Then sing aloud to God our strength:

Thus in Babylon, the mighty city,
Belshazzar the King made a great feast,
Made a feast to a thousand of his lords
And drank wine before the thousand.
Belshazzar, whiles he tasted the wine,
Commanded us to bring the gold and silver
vessels that his princes, his wives and his
concubines might rejoice and drink therein.

After they had praised their strange gods,
The idols and the devils,
False gods who can neither see nor hear,
Called they for the timbrel and the
pleasant harp
To extol the glory of the King.
Then they pledged the King before the
people, crying,
Thou, O King, art King of Kings:
O King, live forever . . .

And in that same hour, as they feasted Came forth fingers of a man's hand And the King saw The part of the hand that wrote. And this was the writing that was written:

'MENE, MENE, TEKEL UPHARSIN' 'THOU ART WEIGHED IN THE BALANCE AND FOUND WANTING.'

In that night was Belshazzar the King slain And his kingdom divided.

Then sing aloud to God our strength:
Make a joyful noise unto the God of Jacob.
Take a psalm, bring hither the timbrel,
Blow up the trumpet in the new moon,
Blow up the trumpet in Zion,
For Babylon the Great is fallen.

Alleluia!

Make a joyful noise unto the God of Jacob, While the Kings of the Earth lament And the merchants of the Earth Weep, wail and rend their raiment. They cry: Alas, Alas, that great city, In one hour is her judgment come.

The trumpeters and pipers are silent, And the harpers have ceased to harp, And the light of a candle shall shine no more.

Then sing aloud to God our strength.

Make a joyful noise unto the God of Jacob.

For Babylon the Great is fallen.

Alleluia!

Richard Strauss: Suite from *Der Rosenkavalier*, Op. 59

Richard Strauss may be said to have had a case of mistaken identity; some said he was the aesthetic descendant of Wagner, even though by upbringing and musical training he was more nearly like Wagner's nemesis, Mendelssohn. After the success of his tone poem *Don Juan*, he was called the heir to Liszt. Even today, those unfamiliar with his lineage consider him to be related to the other Strauss family, the waltz kings Johann and Josef. The appearance in 1911 of *Der Rosenkavalier* on the heels of such triumphs as *Feuersnot, Salome*, and *Elektra* might be seen as a step backward for Richard Strauss, and a comparison to Mozart would be inescapable. Looking back to the fairytale time of Maria Theresa, *Der Rosenkavalier* is even more rife with intrigue, more opulent, and more voluptuous than *Le Nozze di Figaro*.

In the opera the dominant character is the Marschallin, whose presence is constantly felt, even though she is absent from the end of Act I to the middle of Act III. In the orchestral suite the emphasis is quite different, and we are reminded that the title is *Der Rosenkavalier*, and not *Die Marschallin*. The accent in the suite is on youth and its joys, and not on age and its regrets.

There have been several orchestra suites drawn from the opera, including one by Strauss himself based on a film version of 1926. The suite performed this evening has come to be known as the standard, and was approved by the composer for publication in 1945. Its sections include the prelude to Act I, the presentation of the silver rose, the arrival of Ochs and waltzes from Act II, and the ensembles and waltz from Act III.

-program notes by Richard E. Cook

William Walton:

Belshazzar's Feast

Belshazzar's Feast is one of the outstanding landmarks of English choral music in the twentieth century, for it revitalized the conception of the Biblical cantata. The work was commissioned by the British Broadcasting Company and first performed at the Leeds Festival (England) in 1931. It was Walton's first choral work and he was a young man of 29. The story is a dramatic one told in one brief chapter of the Old Testament Book of Daniel. Sir Osbert Sitwell selected and arranged this dramatic story for William Walton to set to music using the fifth chapter of Daniel, verses from Isaiah, and Psalms 81 and 137.

The cantata opens with a fanfare which introduces Isaiah's dire prophecy of the Babylonian captivity of the Jews. The male voices announce that "the day of the Lord is at hand" and a choral lament follows on the text "by the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept." During this lament the captive Jews move from acute self pity to a burning vengefulness toward their captors. A baritone recitative follows picturing the riches and might of Babylon as the story of the feast continues.

Belshazzar, King of Babylon, is drinking wine at a feast in the royal palace. In a state of drunkenness he orders the golden vessels that his father Nebuchadnezzar had taken from the temple when he captured Jerusalem, to be brought to him. The King, his nobles, his concubines and his courtesans drink wine from these sacred vessels amid music and shouts of praise to the pagan gods. As they feast, the fingers of a man's hand appear and write the strange words, "Mene, mene, tekel upharsen." Daniel is summoned to interpret the words and announces, "Thou art weighed in the balance and found wanting." That same day the city is captured, and Belshazzar is slain. The cantata ends with a hymn of praise to the God of Jacob, "Sing aloud to God, our strength: Alleluia."

- program notes by Jason Roberts and William P. Carroll

Robert Gutter is currently Director of Orchestral Activities at UNCG and also Music Director of the Philharmonia of Greensboro and the Fayetteville Symphony. In 1966 he received an appointment as Principal Guest Conductor of the National Symphony Orchestra of the Ukraine in Kiev. He is founder and artistic director for the International Institute for Conductors in Kiev. In his 30 years as a professional conductor, he has devoted himself to both professional and non-professional orchestras in over twenty countries. In addition to his symphonic engagements he has appeared with opera companies both in the United States and in Europe. Prior to accepting his orchestral posts in North



Carolina in 1988, he served as Music Director and Conductor of the Springfield, Massachusetts, Symphony for sixteen years. In 1986 he was named "Conductor Emeritus" of that Orchestra. Prior to his professional conducting, Gutter was principal trombonist with the Washington National Symphony. He holds the Bachelor and Master of Music degrees from Yale University.



W. Dwight Coleman, baritone, is currently Coordinator of Graduate Studies, Voice, and Opera at Georgia State University in Atlanta, Georgia. He is the Artistic Director of the Harrower Summer Opera Workshop and on the faculty of the summer opera festival Musica Lirica in Urbania, Italy. He holds degrees from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro and Northwestern University. Active as a performer of oratorio and opera, his credits include appearances with opera companies in Atlanta, Pensacola, New Orleans, Busseto, Italy, Shreveport, Jackson, along with the Milwaukee and North Carolina

Symphonies. He made his Carnegie Hall debut in 1992, Lincoln Center debut in 1994, and has directed numerous operatic productions.

William P. Carroll, Director of Choral Activities and Chair of the Vocal Studies Division, holds degrees from Millsaps College, Southern Methodist University, and the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music. He has served as guest conductor for numerous workshops, honor choirs, and clinics, including the North Carolina High School Honors Chorus and All-State Chorus, the North Carolina Junior High All-State Chorus, the Virginia Music Camp, Lake Junaluska Music Week, Eastern Division ACDA Convention, the Fellowship of United Methodist Musicians National Conference. and the Intercollegiate Men's Choruses Association National



Convocation. He recently completed a fifteen-year tenure as Conductor of the Choral Society of Greensboro. In addition to his University responsibilities he serves as Editor for Hinshaw Music, Inc.



Welborn Young came from Chicago, Illinois where for five years he was the Artistic Director and Conductor of Windy City Performing Arts. During the summer of 1998, Young was invited to be a featured conductor at the Concertgebouw in Amsterdam, Netherlands, during an international cultural and music festival and served as guest conductor of Chicago's Grant Park Symphony Chorus. Young has been the Assistant Conductor of the Middle Tennessee Choral Society, Artistic Director of the Augustinian Singers of Nashville, and guest conducted the Nashville Symphony Chorus and Nashville Opera Association. He completed the B.M. and M.A. at Middle Tennessee State

University and is completing the Doctor of Musical Arts in Choral Conducting at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. In addition to his University duties, he serves as conductor of the Choral Society of Greensboro.



Randy Price hails from Charlotte, North Carolina. During the past few years Mr. Price studied under some of the world's leading conductors including James Conlon, Charles Dutoit, André Previn and the late Robert Shaw. He is a former member of the Robert Shaw Festival Singers. His undergraduate studies concluded with a Bachelor of Arts degree with proficiencies in piano and voice performance. He completed the Master of Music Degree in 2000 at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. While at UNCG, Mr. Price has conducted the Women's and Men's Glee Clubs, prepared choruses for a number of operas

and taught several classes. This spring Randy will complete the Doctor of Musical Arts degree in Choral Conducting .

Richard Waters is a Teaching Assistant in the School of Music at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, where he directs the Men's Glee Club and teaches class voice. In addition, he is Assistant Conductor of the Choral Society of Greensboro. Prior to coming to North Carolina, he spent four years as a high school choral director in the Virginia public school system and was Assistant Conductor of Cantate, The Children's Choir of Central Virginia. Waters is currently pursuing the Doctor of Musical Arts degree in choral conducting at UNCG. He received the Master of Music degree in choral conducting from the Hartt School of Music and the Bachelor of Music degree in music education from James Madison University.



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